means for synchronizing the manipulated data with the data [stored] at the remote site; and

means for disabling the client site from accessing at least a portion of one of the downloaded data and the manipulated data.

21. A computer-readable storage medium storing program code for causing a computer to perform the steps of:

executing a workspace data manager on a client site;

requesting the workspace data manager to access data from a remote site;

downloading data from [a] the remote site;

[requesting a] using the workspace data manager to enable manipulation of the downloaded data, [and] thereby [create] creating manipulated data; [and]

synchronizing the manipulated data with the data [stored] at the remote site; and

disabling the client site from accessing at least a portion of one of the downloaded data and the manipulated data.

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* no amendments - provided for Examiner and Applicant convenience

REMARKS

Claims 1-21 were examined and rejected in this case. Claims 1, 2, 6, 8-11, 13, 14, 17, 20 and 21 are being amended. Reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

In paragraphs 3-8, the Examiner rejected claims 1-21 under 35 USC § 103 as being unpatentable over Reed in view of Deaton. The Examiner specifically asserted that Reed teaches requesting a workspace data manager to enable manipulation of data, and teaches synchronizing the manipulated data stored in a remote site. The Examiner then admitted that Reed does not include downloading the data from a remote site, and asserted that Deaton teaches downloading data from a remote site.

First, Applicant respectfully submits that neither Reed nor Deaton teaches using a workspace data manager to <u>download and manipulate</u> data from a remote site and to <u>synchronize</u> the manipulated data with the remote site, as similarly recited in independent claims 1, 10, 20 and 21. These claimed embodiments enable a traveling user to log on from any client site that includes a workspace data manager configured to perform these steps, to access data previously stored at the remote site, and to synchronize the data with the remote site for subsequent use.

Second, Applicant is amending independent claims 1, 10, 20 and 21 similarly to include "disabling the client site from accessing at least a portion of one of the downloaded data and the manipulated data." Since neither Reed nor Deaton teach this element and the elements discussed above, Applicant respectfully submits that independent claims 1, 10, 20 and 21 as amended are novel and non-obvious over Reed in view of Deaton for at least these reasons. Applicant also submits that claims 2-9 and 11-19, dependent therefrom, are novel and non-obvious for at least these reasons. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the rejection of claims 1-21 be withdrawn.

Applicant requests the Examiner to enter the above amendments to the Specification. No new matter is being added.

If the Examiner has any questions or needs any additional information, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at (650) 843-3392.

If for any reason an insufficient fee has been paid, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the insufficiency to Deposit Account No. 05-0150.

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